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SUBJECT: UNGA FIRST COMMITTEE RESOLUTION ON COMPLIANCE

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Classified By: CDA Christopher Henzel for reasons 1.4 (b) and (d).

(C) A/DCM delivered reftel points to Aisha Al Khalifa of the MFA's International Organizations (IO) Directorate on November 30. She was unaware of the Bahraini delegation's abstention in the First Committee vote, but reiterated the GOB's commitment to the principles of non-proliferation and committed to inquire about the circumstances of the vote. A/DCM remarked that Bahrain could tangibly illustrate its commitment to non-proliferation by voting in favor of the resolution in the UNGA. Al Khalifa stated that she would contact the IO Director (currently on travel) to recommend a "yes" vote.

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